

June 8, 2022

The Honorable Alex Padilla United States Senate 112 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Jerry Moran United States Senate Dirksen Senate Office Building, Room 521 Washington, D.C. 20510

RE: Support for the Advanced Aviation Infrastructure Modernization Act

Dear Senators Padilla and Moran,

On behalf of the City of Long Beach, I write in support of the Advanced Aviation Infrastructure and Modernization (AAIM) Act. This legislation would establish a pilot program to assist state and local governments in their preparation to implement advanced air mobility options that will allow for modernized methods of air travel and have a positive impact on surrounding communities.

The AAIM Act will advance the implementation of new technologies and methods of air travel including infrastructure to support advanced aviation modernization. The \$25 million dollar investment will allow localities to bring forth innovation in air transportation technology and is essential to help the State of California and the United States continue moving towards its climate goals.

The City supports legislation that will bolster equitable advanced air mobility deployment. Locally, the Long Beach Airport (LGB) is a leader in reducing emissions and utilizing advanced technology to provide a positive experience for its customers and the surrounding community. The AAIM Act will advance LGB's commitment to operating in an environmentally friendly manner, minimizing the impact of its business on the environment and surrounding community with methods that are socially responsible, scientifically based, and economically sound.

For these reasons, the City supports the Advanced Aviation Infrastructure and Modernization Act.

Sincerely,

Mayor Robert Garcia City of Long Beach

cc: The Honorable Senator Dianne Feinstein

The Honorable Congressmember Nanette Barragan, 44th District The Honorable Congressmember Alan Lowenthal, 47th District